

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE  
(DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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Title of Invention:

"AUTOMATIC POINTING DEVICE FOR CORRECT POSITIONING OF THE DISTAL LOCKING SCREWS OF AN ITRAMEDULLARY NAIL"

Priority Date Claimed:

8 April 2004

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(if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office.
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 21 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 with copy of PCT search report.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet with check for \$40.00 in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT rule 13ter.2 and 37CFR 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status-Small Business Concern (1 page).
21. ☒ Other items or information:
  - Copy of published PCT application w/Search Report (36 pp.)
  - Claim to Priority (1 page)
  - Unsigned Declaration/Power of Attorney (4 pp.)
  - PCT Request (4 pp.)

The following fees are submitted:

21. ☒ Basic national fee.....\$ 300.00 = \$ 300.00

22. ☒ Examination fee  
If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO  
and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$ 100.00  
All other situations..... \$ 200.00 = \$ 200.00

23. ☒ Search fee  
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international  
application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.... \$ 100.00  
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office..... \$ 400.00  
All other situations..... \$ 500.00 = \$ 400.00

**TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 = \$ 900.00**

☐ Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over  
100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing  
filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional  
50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.

| Total Sheets | Extra sheets | # of each additional 50<br>or fraction thereof | RATE       |          |
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than  
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| CLAIMS             | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE       |      |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------|
| Total claims       | 17 - 20 =    | 0            | x \$50.00  | \$ 0 |
| Independent claims | 2 - 3 =      | 0            | x \$200.00 | \$ 0 |

MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$360.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Amendment deleting multiple dependencies enclosed

**TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$ 1,030.00**

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.  
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)).  
The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover  
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☒ A check in the amount of \$1,030.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

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  - Cheque No. 21972 for \$1,030.00
  - Transmittal Letter (2 pages)
  - Copy of PCT International Application as filed and published consisting of: Title page with Abstract (2 pages), Specification (15 pages), Claims (4 pages), 12 sheets of Drawings (Figs. 1-12), International Search Report (3 pages)
  - Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with Form PTO-1449 (modified) (3 pages) w/a copy of the foreign patent document as listed
  - Preliminary Amendment (8 pages)
  - Claim to Priority (1 page)
  - Unsigned Declaration/Power of Attorney (4 pages)
  - PCT Request Form (4 pages)

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